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Owing to the fact that the appearance of this Report would be greatly delayed if held sufficiently long to incorporate the minutes of the Annual Meeting, which will occur at Grand Rapids, Michigan, in connection with the sessions of the National Council, it has been decided to issue the major part of the edition at once. Copies of the Report, including the minutes of the Annual Meeting, as well as separate copies of the Minutes themselves, may be had early in November by addressing The Congregational Sunday School Extension Society.

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ORGANIZED CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK

THE history of our Congregational Sunday School work in the United States can be traced back to 1805, and Sunday School activity became general among Congregational Churches in this country in 1816. With the background of the religious education of the young in the home and under the direction of the "pastor and teacher" in the early days, the organized work grew gradually in favor, and eventually old methods gave place to the call of the modern Sunday School movement.

Our own definite work was carried on under various names and conditions. In 1829 it was known as "The Doctrinal Tract and Book Society"; in 1832 as "The Massachusetts Sabbath School Society"; in 1868 as "The Congregational Sabbath School and Publishing Society"; in 1870 as "The Congregational Publishing Society," and in 1883 as "The Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society." In accordance with the action of the National Council in 1917, the work then being done by the Missionary and Extension Department of The Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society, was ordered transferred to the Church Extension Group in New York City, and pursuant to this action, on December 19th, 1917, there was organized in New York "The Congregational Sunday School Extension Society," with the members of the National Council constituting its membership, and with a Board of Directors, General Secretary and Treasurer, in common with The Congregational Home Missionary Society and The Congregational Church Building Society, thus unifying the administration of efforts centering in the local church, i. e., the pastor, the building and the Sunday School.

The functions of the society are concisely outlined in the records of the National Council, as follows:

> "That to the Sunday School Extension Society there has been committed the care of Sunday School Extension work on behalf of the denomination. This society shall also work in coöperative relations with the Religious Education Boards. . . . . Briefly summarized this means the assignment to the Education force of full responsibility of leadership in all that has to do with the educational methods and evangelistic outreach of the local Sunday Schools while to the extension force is assigned the planting of mission Sunday Schools and continuous effort to carry out the plans of the Educational force along such lines as that force may select."

In accordance with this action of the National Council, the new society assumed responsibility for the Missionary and Extension work on January 1st, 1918.

REVIEW OF THE FIELD

Since The Congregational Sunday School Extension Society assumed the responsibilities of administering Sunday School Missionary and Extension work on January 1st, 1918, and also during the interim when the field work of The Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society was directed from the New York office, the general oversight of the affairs of the society was in the hands of the General Secretary, who until it was felt best to appoint an associate as Extension Secretary, cared for the entire interests of the work.

When on December 19th, 1917, the actual organization of The Congregational Sunday School Extension Society took place in accordance with the action of the National Council, no particular change was made so far as the field work of the Sunday School interests was concerned. The entire field force was reëlected to serve under the new society, and pursuant to the action of the Board, the policy was carried out of placing the superintendence of Sunday School work in the hands of the men who also superintend the Home Missionary work. Necessary adjustments were made so as to harmonize the terms of commissions of the two organizations, and the entire field force was included under the new working plans. Duplicate reports were made and filed, separate books are kept, and each society makes its own payments to its commissioned men. But in all field work there is unity of action, and in consequence greater efficiency along all lines of service, as well as economy in finances. Notwithstanding some difficulties that of necessity had to be faced in connection with reorganization plans, and with very moderate financial resources, the activities of the society have gone forward successfully, and the outlook is encouraging. There are now on the regular field staff twelve superintendents and thirty-two field workers.

In addition to matters of general administration and inspirational service, the importance of the work done is indicated in several directions. Since the reorganization, fifty-two new schools have been recorded with a total membership of one thousand four hundred and twenty-seven. During the same period thirty-one have been reorganized with a membership of one thousand one hundred and seventy-four. The entire number of mission Sunday Schools is two hundred and sixty-two, with a total membership of four thousand, five hundred and fifty-one. Without question a much larger number of schools could have been brought into being, but the field force was instructed to organize in such a way as to make it possible for every mission school to be under the direct supervision of some pastor, so that the new work might have, not only a measure of pastoral oversight, but the strength of an established church organization behind it. It should also be recorded that during the period of the war, many of our regular workers were in their country's service, and a number of men who had planned to do missionary work during college and summer vacation time were also engaged in some form of war service.

In addition to actual extension work, our field force participated in six hundred and fifty conventions, institutes and group conferences, thereby helping in connection with the educational plans of the denomination.

Grants of literature to needy schools numbered two hundred and ten, the total value being $1,670.83. Sixteen of these grants went to schools in Hawaii, eight to Colored Congregational Schools, seven to Porto Rico, two were for Italian and one for Slavic schools.

Emphasizing the new alignment of the Sunday School work in association with the Home Missionary activities, constant testimony is borne to the effect that it is proving exceedingly effective, and we believe will result in more carefully coördinated plans and in the doing of the work that is most needed, in the best possible way. Of the forty-six on the list, thirty-five are joint workers, and the remaining eleven are doing definite church work.

These workers have shared in city, village and rural activities along Sunday School lines, some of them giving a large part of their time to the definite extension work, and all, whatever their service generally, devoting a certain part of their time and energies to the interests of the society.

A growing number of churches supporting mission schools is reported; a life membership list is an actual achievement, and a beginning has been made in connection with invested funds, the first gift having been received since the period covered by this report.

Efforts are being made to reach the new Americans in our country. It is estimated that there are thirty millions of people of foreign birth or parentage residing in the United States, probably one-half of whom are children and youth. Our special mission in this direction is evident. With Congregational Sunday School work carried on with over four hundred groups of foreign-speaking people in the United States, using twenty-three languages, it would appear that we are facing an exceedingly difficult problem. But though it is difficult to initiate the older people of the churches and missions into the fulness of our American life, it is possible through our Sunday School instruction and social activities to bring the children and young people into close touch with the English language and American ideals. Without English-speaking services in many of the German and Scandinavian churches, the young people from these communities, with a strong desire for the English language in church life, are turning to our English-speaking churches for instruction along Sunday School lines.

The special emphasis on evangelism is finding a place of increasing favor and helpfulness in our Sunday School program; socially there is a marked advance in many directions; and as a strong community force, this organization of children, youth and parenthood is assuming a place of recognized power. So that, while for recognized causes, and in common with other denominations, there has been a falling off in the enrollment of our Sunday Schools during the year covered by this report, there have been forward movements inaugurated and brought to fruition that have had in view the supreme purpose of the development of character. Now we are facing during these reconstruction days a great field for the extension of Sunday School work in places not hitherto reached, and for enlarging the present school enrollment in existing organizations.

The literature of the society is being developed along strong lines, the endeavor being made to issue that which is concrete and inspirational in its character. It deals with actual experiences in field work, in addition to setting forth the plans and ideals of the society. A full list of publications will be found in the handbook published in the interests of the Church Extension Boards.

Financially we have reason to feel encouraged. The treasurer reports that the society completed its first year with a gratifying measure of success. In his statement he says: "It is certainly to be hoped that we may feel ourselves able to finance a larger budget in the near future, so as to advance our work, and make it more effective. Our lack of permanent income makes us more dependent upon the apportionment and its fluctuations, so that for this society, even more than for the others, the marked success of the Every Member Drive is an important feature of the year." Aside from the apportionment plan, the chief source of income for the Sunday School Extension Society is the offering on Children's Day. This is promoted, as in the past, by furnishing to the schools offering envelopes and a Children's Day service. The service for this year was prepared under the oversight of the General Secretary with a view to meeting the needs of the average school, and also with the idea of its adaptation to fit the requirements of schools of different types. A questionnaire sent out with the exercise brought back replies which indicate general satisfaction with the service, and so far as can be judged, the financial returns have been equal to those of preceding years.

The many and increasing calls for service present an open door of opportunity. The Sunday School Missionary and Extension work, which under different names and varied direction has for eighty-six years been supported devotedly by the interest and gifts of our churches, needs a larger support than ever before, in order that it may do its full share in ushering in the Kingdom.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

JANUARY—DECEMBER, 1918.

RECEIPTS.

Contributions	Personal	$ 1,501.56	
	Organizations	34,198.94	
	Refunds	502.06	
		$36,202.56	
Loan C. H. M. S.		4,500.00	
Total Receipts			$40,702.56

EXPENDITURES.

Field Workers Salaries	$19,518.38	
Expenses	4,600.69	
General Secretary	1,000.00	
Office Expenses	2,866.54	
Literature Grants	1,670.83	
Children's Day Material	1,189.16	
C. H. M. S. Loan	4,500.00	
Intersociety Expenses	486.84	
American Missionary Assessment	682.96	
Exchange Checks	221.75	
Leaflets	166.25	
Congregationalist Apportionment	33.02	
National Council Budget	105.88	
Grant Books	106.50	
Corporation Fees	31.10	
Bond Premiums	25.00	
Cuts for Magazine	20.65	
June Hero Tale	18.00	
Tercentenary Expenses	47.53	
Christian Endeavor Topics	5.22	
Interest on Loan	61.67	
Advertisement in Year Book	10.00	
Bound Volumes, The American Missionary	9.00	
Advertisements, The Congregationalist	39.00	
Printing Home Mission Study Courses	1.97	
Cashier's Petty Cash	20.00	
Total Expenditures		$37,437.94

Balance Cash on Hand	$ 3,264.62	
Bank Balance	3,244.62	
Petty Cash	20.00	

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION AND BY-LAWS

OF

The Congregational Sunday School Extension Society

We, the undersigned, being desirous of associating ourselves together in a corporation for the promotion of Sunday School work and other objects, as hereinafter more particularly described, pursuant to and in conformity with the Membership Corporation Law of the State of New York, do hereby certify and declare that we are all of full age, at least two-thirds of us are citizens of the United States, and two of us are residents of the State of New York:

We do further certify and declare as follows:

First: That the particular objects for which said corporation is formed are as follows, viz.: The pursuit of missionary and educational purposes, with special relation to establishing, aiding and promoting Sunday Schools, Bible Schools and kindred institutions, either directly or through other corporations having similar objects, in pursuance of the general plans for the work of the Church Extension Boards of the Congregational churches in the United States, as outlined by the National Council of said churches.

Second: That the corporate name by which said corporation shall be known and distinguished is The Congregational Sunday School Extension Society.

Third: That the territory in which the operations of said corporation are to be principally conducted is the United States of America, its territories, colonies and other dependencies.

Fourth: That the principal office of said corporation shall be located in the City of New York.

Fifth: That the number of the directors of the said corporation shall be thirty-six.

Sixth: That the names and places of residence of the persons to be the directors of the said corporation until its first annual meeting are:

Names	Places of Residence
Rev. Stephen A. Norton, D.D.,	Woburn, Mass.
Rev. William H. Kephart, D.D.,	415 East 143d St., New York City.
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Seventh: That the annual meeting of said corporation shall be held on the Tuesday following the third Sunday in January in each and every year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have made and signed this certificate in duplicate, this 19th day of December, 1917.

ALFRED COIT.
JOHN M. WHITON.
WILLIAM H. KEPHART.
CLARENCE F. SWIFT.
JAMES E. MCCONNELL.
SAMUEL LANE LOOMIS.
ROCKWELL HARMON POTTER.
WATSON L. PHILLIPS.

STATE OF NEW YORK }
COUNTY OF NEW YORK } SS.:

On this 19th day of December, 1917, before me personally came Alfred Coit, John M. Whiton, William H. Kephart, Clarence F. Swift, James E. McConnell, Samuel Lane Loomis, Rockwell Harmon Potter, Watson L. Phillips, to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing certificate, and they thereupon severally acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

I do hereby approve the foregoing certificate of incorporation and the filing thereof.

CHARLES L. GRAY,
Justice of the Supreme Court,
First Judicial District.

Dated February 23rd, .

BY-LAWS

OF

The Congregational Sunday School Extension Society

ARTICLE I.

Membership.

Until the first annual meeting of the Society, which is hereby called to meet in connection with the next meeting of The Congregational Home Missionary Society, the members of The Congregational Sunday School Extension Society shall consist of: Rev. Clarence F. Swift, D.D., Rev. Stephen A. Norton, D.D., Rev. James E. McConnell, D.D., Judge Alfred Coit, Rev. Samuel L. Loomis, D.D., Rev. William H. Kephart, D.D., Mrs. Nelly D. Hicks, Mr. John M. Whiton, Mr. Arthur F. Whitin, Lucien C. Warner, LL.D., Mr. Franklin H. Warner, Rev. J. T. Stocking, D.D., Rev. Lewis T. Reed, Rev. Watson L. Phillips, D.D., Rev. Rockwell H. Potter, D.D. After the first annual meeting of the Society this paragraph shall be omitted from the By-laws and the membership of the Society shall be constituted as follows:

1. All voting members of the National Council of the Congregational churches in the United States shall be voting members of The Congregational Sunday School Extension Society during the period of their membership in the National Council.

2. The Society shall designate a list of eighteen persons who shall be voting members-at-large, and who shall be chosen in three equal sections and so chosen that the term of each section shall be ultimately six years, one section being chosen every second year at the Biennial meeting. These members-at-large may be identical with the persons composing a similar list chosen by The Congregational Sunday School and the Publishing Society or its successor.

3. Any person on whose behalf $20.00 shall be paid into the treasury of this Society, accompanied by a request for honorary life membership, shall be an honorary life member with all the privileges of membership except voting.

4. At an annual meeting of the Society all pastors of Congregational churches in attendance, in response to an invitation from the Executive Committee of the Society, shall be enrolled as corresponding members with the privileges of the floor but no vote.

5. The Officers, Directors, Executive Committee men and Superintendents of the Society, ex-officiis, with all the privileges of membership except voting.

ARTICLE II.

Officers.

The officers of this Society shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Treasurer, an Auditor, a General Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Board of Directors, and an Executive Committee.

There shall be such additional Secretaries and other officers as may be found necessary.

ARTICLE III.

Election.

1. The President, Vice-President, Auditor and Recording Secretary shall be elected by the Society at its Biennial Meeting for a two-year term.

2. The General Secretary and the Treasurer shall be elected at each Biennial Meeting on nomination by the Board of Directors.

3. The Board of Directors shall consist of not more than thirty-six members, namely, one representative from each State organization which is recognized by the National Council of the Congregational churches in the United States as an administrative unit, and Directors-at-Large as herein provided, and shall be elected at the Biennial Meeting as follows:

(a) Prior to the Biennial Meeting at which the term of its representative on the Board expires, each State Conference or Association, recognized by the National Council as an administrative unit, shall have the right to submit to the Nominating Committee the names of two candidates, a minister and a layman, from which nominations an election of one Director for a term of six years shall be made. At the expiration of the term his successor shall be chosen in the same manner.

(b) Directors-at-Large shall be elected on nomination by the Nominating Committee in such manner that there shall not be more than thirty-six Directors at any one time.

(c) The President of the Society shall be an honorary member of the Board without vote, and shall be expected to be present at all sessions.

(d) The General Secretary shall be an honorary member of the Board without vote, and shall be expected to be present at all except executive sessions.

(e) The Directors shall be divided as nearly as possible into three equal sections in such manner that the term of each section shall ultimately be six years and the term of one section shall expire at each Biennial Meeting. When any Director shall have held office for six successive years, he shall be for two years ineligible for re-election.

4. Between the meetings of the Board of Directors, the work of the Society shall be under the immediate supervision of an Executive Committee appointed by the Board of Directors of not more than fifteen persons, a majority of whom shall be members of the Board.

(a) The General Secretary, ex-officio, shall be an honorary member of this Committee. The membership of the Committee shall be divided as equally as practicable between ministers and laymen. After serving for six consecutive years, a member of the Executive Committee shall be for one year ineligible for reëlection.

(b) This Committee shall hold regular monthly meetings and as many special meetings as may be deemed necessary. The actions of each session of the Executive Committee shall be reported to the Board of Directors.

5. There shall be a Nominating Committee consisting of the members of the Nominating Committee of the National Council.

6. Assistant Secretaries and other officers as needed shall be appointed annually by the Board of Directors on the nomination of the Executive Committee.

7. Vacancies in any office, Board or Committee may be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired term.

ARTICLE IV.

Voters.

All members of the Society as designated in Article I. of these By-laws who shall be present and cause their names to be registered upon a roll to be made at each annual or other meeting of this Society by the Recording Secretary, and no other persons, shall have the right to vote at the annual election, and in annual or other meetings of the Society upon questions there arising.

ARTICLE V.

The President and Vice-President.

It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Society. In his absence the Vice-President shall preside. In the absence of both of these, any member of the Society, duly chosen, may preside at any meeting of the Society.

ARTICLE VI.

The Treasurer.

The Treasurer shall receive and have personal charge of all funds from collections, legacies, or other sources which are designated for the current expenses of the Society, and the custody of its trust funds, and shall keep them in such depositories as may be designated by the Board of Directors, and shall disburse the same as said Board and its Executive Committee shall direct. He shall give bonds annually for such amount as the Board of Directors shall determine, and shall conduct the correspondence and other business of his office under the general supervision of the Board of Directors and its Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VII.

The Auditor.

It shall be the duty of the Auditor prior to each Annual Meeting to examine the Treasurer's vouchers, books and accounts, and all certificates of stocks, bonds and other securities held by the Treasurer, and check all investments of the funds of the Society and certify to the correctness of the same.

ARTICLE VIII.

The General Secretary.

The General Secretary of the Society, with the aid of his assistants, shall conduct all correspondence relating to the office; he shall strive to work in closest sympathy with the other benevolent societies of the denomination and with the officials of State organizations; he shall make known by personal presentation, correspondence and otherwise, to State and local associations and conferences, to churches and individuals, the objects and claims of the Society, and shall have charge and direction of the work of the Society under the general supervision of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee; he shall present the minutes of the Executive Committee and all its transactions to the Board of Directors at each of its meetings; he shall prepare the yearly report of the Board of Directors for the Annual Meeting of the Society, and submit the same for adoption at the meeting of the Board, or of its Executive Committee as the Board may direct prior to the said Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE IX.

The Recording Secretary.

The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of all meetings and proceedings of the Society, and at each annual or other meeting of the Society shall make up a roll of persons entitled to vote at such meetings, as provided in Article IV.

ARTICLE X.

The Board of Directors and the Executive Committee.

1. The Board of Directors, subject only to the review and judgment of the Society at its Annual Meeting, shall have the management of all the property and business of the corporation, except as herein otherwise provided. The Board shall hold its Annual Meeting on the Tuesday after the third Sunday of January and in addition such specially called meetings as may be deemed necessary. All important questions of policy and all major questions of administration shall be reserved for decision at the Annual Meeting. After a due notice of the meeting has been sent in writing to each Director, fifteen shall constitute a quorum. Notices of Directors' meetings shall be given by the General Secretary, or in case of a vacancy in that office, by the President. At its Annual Meeting the Board shall determine the general disposition of the funds of the Society and pass upon any questions involving the comprehensive work of the administration, including the election of official representatives, National and State. It shall assemble at the Annual Meeting such workers as the Board or its Executive Committee shall deem wise in order that the needs and opportunities on the field may be thoroughly presented to the Board.

Any and all property, real or personal, acquired by The Congregational Sunday School Extension Society, either by gift, devise or purchase, may be sold by the Board of Directors.

2. The Board of Directors may prescribe suitable regulations for the affairs of the Executive Committee, and may delegate to the Executive Committee, by vote, any of the powers given to the Board of Directors, including the power to sell or convey property, real or personal. The Executive Committee shall for the time being, except as limited by the Board of Directors, have and exercise all the powers of the Board of Directors, in the management of the business and affairs of the corporation, and it may authorize the seal of the corporation to be affixed to all such contracts, papers and documents as may require it. The Executive Committee shall keep a record of its proceedings, which shall be at any time open to the inspection of any member of the Board of Directors, and shall annually present a detailed report of its doings, including the minutes of its meetings, to the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XI.

The Nominating Committee.

The Nominating Committee shall, at each Biennial Meeting, present nominations for President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Auditor and members of the Board of Directors, in accordance with the provision of these By-laws, and the action of the National Council relative to the common administration of this and other missionary societies.

ARTICLE XII.

Meetings.

This Society shall meet annually on the Tuesday following the third Sunday in January, and in years when the National Council holds regular sessions shall adjourn to meet in connection with the National Council. This meeting shall be known as the Biennial Meeting. Twenty voting members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE XIII.

Amendments.

No alteration shall be made in these By-laws without a vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting at an Annual Meeting; nor unless the same shall have been proposed in writing at a previous Annual Meeting, or shall be recommended by the Board of Directors.

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